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ning. If you are a member o fany of these classes, you will be doubly interested and will want to make a special effort to be there.

Our alumni has made progress this past year for we now have a room in the newly decorated Science Building. At present it is not furnished but Mr. Percefull assures us it will be soon.

A few cannot make a successful alumni association. Each member must do his part. Our growth depends upon your loyalty and interest.

Yours sincerely,

Opal
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Pres. of Alumni Association

Greetings To All Former Northwestern Alumni And Former Students

May 14th is the date set for our Annual Alumni Banquet, you are invited and urged to attend.

This Banquet is the highlight of our Alumni year activities — always a gala affair. Come and share in the happiness of meeting old friends and classmates.

Classes honored this year will be 1909 — 1919 — 1929 — 1939 — 1949. Class of 1909 are celebrating their fortieth year reunion; Mrs. Myrtle Else Mason is Chairman of that class — Call or write her for information or greetings to classmates.

To facilitate dinner arrangements write or call either Opal Nighswonger Pres., or Essie Nall, Secy. for reservations. Dinner will be in Shockley Hall 7:30 o'clock, May 14th.

Alumni Association have a new HOME. — We have been assigned rooms in the New Arts and Science Building — Come to the Banquet and Let's have a HOUSE WARMING.

BUTTONS AND BOWS CHORUS



A bit of the gay, sparkling chorus line of "Buttons and Bows" is pictured here. This novelty western dance number is currently appearing with the choir on its annual tour to schools in this area. With the exception of Doyle Strong, soloist pictured here, it is composed of members from the girls' physical education department directed by Miss Inez Patterson. The act also starred in the recent "Hellzapoppin'" production under sponsorship of the Little Theatre.

HOMECOMING 1948

Homecoming was a success. I'm sure even though there may have been a few slips here and there. Essentially, it was pretty much of an extravaganza such as never before staged in Our Town. And those who attended the event had a good time.

The floats were beautiful and the theme of the "Parade of Progress" carried out very well. The kiddies formed a great part of the huge parade; the

bands were exceptionally fine, and the big one day celebration program was one of the biggest and best ever undertaken and presented on Homecoming

The annual district teachers meeting which preceded Homecoming day, too, was successful according to reports from those who attended the sessions.

The college's Little Theatre play on Thursday night, opening the week-end festivities launched the entire event successfully. The play, "The Hasty Hearts," was well received and was well presented by the students.

All in all the expression on the street and after the program was that it was the greatest of them all in the 30-year history of the event which started as a campus pep rally before the Rangers' annual football game for the Old Grads.

NORTHWESTERN STATE IS ACCREDITED IN NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

By unanimous ballot of the 40-man board meeting in Chicago last week Northwestern became a member of the North Central Association. Announcement was made by Pres. Sabin C. Percefull upon his return from a meeting of the association in Chicago.

Northwestern, along with six other state colleges, voluntarily withdrew from the association upon the recommendation of Governor Bill Murray in 1927. Application for reinstatement was not made until last year.

The college has always been a member of the American Association of Teacher, Colleges and Universities, the only national accrediting association in existence. Credits had been accepted from Northwestern at nearly all colleges and universities in the United States. However, membership in the regional organization was very desirable.

Last year National ratings of sororities and fraternities had been taken from the college because of not belonging to the regional accrediting organization. "The return of national ratings to the fraternities and sororities will be a great boon to these organizations."

Although student's credits had been accepted without question all over the Nation, yet the prestige and honor to our Alumni and students is an honor that they well deserve, and of which we are all proud.

DIPLOMAS GO TO 90 SENIORS MAY 16, 1949

The largest postwar graduating class—total of 90 seniors—will receive their graduation diplomas on Monday, May 16th.

Dr. Oliver Hodge, state superintendent of public instruction, will be the principal speaker at this year's commencement exercises.

A full week of events have been arranged to lead up to the commencement climax. The Annual Alumni dinner will be held on Saturday, May 14th. All Northwestern Alumni are cordially invited to attend.

A reception for graduating seniors and the faculty will be held in the Percefull home Sunday afternoon, May 15th. The Rev. Ben Sturdivant, pastor of Capitol Hill M. E. Church in Oklahoma City, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

Several other events honoring the '49 graduates will take place during commencement week.

DEMAND FOR NORTHWESTERN TEACHERS

Northwestern Placement Bureau has already received requests for teachers to fill over 100 teacher vacancies from superintendents anxious to secure teachers for the coming year.

* That Northwestern teachers are successful, was indicated by a survey made by Prof. J. B. Stout recently of all teachers placed last year. Superintendents were asked to rate Northwestern teachers.

Over 93 out of every hundred were average or better and 65 per cent were rated superior to good. Only 7 per cent were rated below average.

Northwestern's Placement Bureau has supplied the surrounding territory with fine, well qualified teachers for over fifty years.

MISS RUTH GENUIT

Director of Northwestern Vocal Music



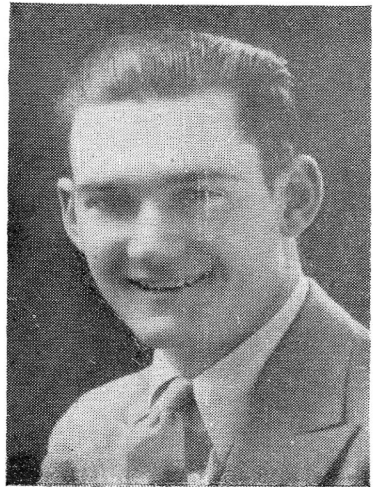
Miss Genuit, director of Northwestern Vocal Music, is also Director of the NSC choir now on tour. She has also been engaged in numerous vocal events.—County Elementary Festival Chorus at Cherokee.

She served as judge at the Kansas District Music Festival at Minneola, Kansas, and directed the Mass Festival chorus there.

Miss Ruth Genuit and Inez Patterson, dancing instructor, accompanied the chorus on their Annual Goodwill Tour to 15 towns in this area by bus and automobile. This being the 21st Annual Tour of the NSC Chorus.

FLOYD McCLAIN

Floyd McClain, former NSC student, is the winner of the recent song contest conducted by Chi Beta Nu fraternity. Dedication of the two songs has been announced by Mr. McClain as follows: "The Alma Mater song I dedicate to my mother, Mrs. J. A. McClain, for her patience and understanding;" and the pep song "Ride Ranger Ride" to Prof. William Deusinger "for his excellent musicianship." Thirty-five dollars in cash prizes was awarded to Mr. McClain and the winning songs will soon be introduced to the student body.



Alumni News Here And There

Capt. and Mrs. Paul Clark and daughter, visited at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clark in Alva. Capt. Clark who had been stationed at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, were enroute to Japan.

Mrs. Vera Bradbury, registered nurse, has accepted the position of official nurse at Northwestern State College, to take the place of Mrs. Cora Scott Young, whose resignation became effective December first.

The Student Directory, published by the Delta Sigma Epsilon, has a roster of students that reveals many interesting facts. It is interesting to note that Northwestern boasts of students from nine different states and a foreign country. States contributing are: New Mexico, Kansas, Texas, Georgia, Louisiana, Colorado, Wisconsin, New York and of course Oklahoma. The foreign country represented is Argentina.

Wyatt Gym was the setting for a very interesting benefit ball game recently between the Olsen Red Heads, famous women's team, and the local picked team. Benefits to go to the Stadium Fund. Chink Campbell, a great favorite of Alva fans many years ago, was the attraction of the evening with his antics and undaunted courage. Though his stamina gradually vanished he proved his heart was with Northwestern, when in the final minutes of the game, looking up at the score board, with his team 10 points behind, said "Let's catch up boys and then rest awhile."

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Miss Dorothy Schumate and Kenneth Kamm. Kenneth is a graduate of Northwestern and was Captain of College football for two years. They will make their home in El Reno.

Thelma Morehart is teaching in Shattuck High School this winter.

Miss Esther Vosburgh Huneke became the bride of Frank A. Larson of Laverne Feb. 25th. Esther is a graduate of Northwestern and will get her Master's degree at Greeley Colo. this summer.

Miss Gladys Julian had the misfortune to fall on the ice and break an arm — at present her condition is improved and she is back in Northwestern where she is instructor. The accident besides being painful proved to be very serious.

National Poetry Association has announced the acceptance of a poem by Helen Fromme of Northwestern. The anthology is a compilation of the finest poetry written by college men and women represent-

ing every section of America. Orchids to Helen.

Northwestern records the passing of a former College Professor — William H. Wood served in the College faculty 1910 to 1941. He received his Bachelor's degree from Peabody college 1899, and his masters degree from Chicago University 1908.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Endres of LaCrosse Wis., announce the birth of a son in March. Mrs. Endres is the former Esther Haworth of Alva.

Maj. John J. France, formerly of Alva and now headquartered at the White Sands New Mexico army proving grounds base spent a few days in Alva renewing friendships and acquaintances. John, a graduate of Northwestern stated that he had not visited in Alva for 18 years. His wife the former Lucile Chew, remained in Las Cruces, N. Mex. while John fulfills an army assignment at Madison Wisconsin.

A letter received from Marie Fox of Alva, who recently served as official delegate to the National YWCA convention at San Francisco, states that there were 1600 delegates from this country and foreign nations attending the session. Marie states that she will also visit with Cornelia Ann Lasley Field. Mrs. Field is a former Alva girl and a Northwestern Alumni and now lives in Berkeley Calif.

A. M. Schnitzer, Oklahoma A. & M. College has been elected president of the local chapter of Phi Lambda Upsilon, National Honary Chemical fraternity.

Sympathy goes to the family of Roy Day of Alva who passed away last Tuesday evening at Alva General Hospital. Three sons John Day of Mt. Shasta Calif., Joe Day of Burlington, Wash., and Bob Day of Oklahoma City are all Northwestern Alumni.

Mrs. J. H. Fiscus (Nora Eutsler) was recently elected President of PEO council at Wichita, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crawford, of Colorado Springs, Colo., spent several days in Alva recently as the guests of Mrs. E. M. Blue. Both Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are Northwestern Alumni.

Dr. and Mrs. P. D. Casper and son David of Belvoir, Va., spent several days in Alva. Dr. Casper is on convalescent leave from the army following a shoulder injury. Mrs. Casper is the daughter of Mrs. Rosa Wright of Alva. And both Mr. and Mrs. Casper are Alumni members.

Miss Nettie McNally of Waynoka, a senior of Northwestern, was ~~chosen~~ Ranger Football Queen by a majority of the Ranger football squad of 1948.

Katherine Quinton of Ft. Gibson, Okla., formerly of Alva and a Northwestern Alumni, became the bride of Thomas H. McLain of Ft. Gibson. Mr. McLain was a former Northwestern student and served in the army three and one half years.

Mrs. Alma Graves Atkinson passed away in Wichita Hospital recently. Mrs. Atkinson taught school in Wichita four years, also taught in Horace Mann, Alva. Her sisters — Ruth Graves Woodcox, of Topeka, Kans., Mrs. Beulah Hatch of Baton Rouge, La., and two brothers Rolf of the home and Jones of Alva were all Alumni members.

Miss Sally Mathews, granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Carter, Alva, reigned as queen of the Oklahoma Hall of Fame ceremonies at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City, Nov. 16th Miss Mathews lives at Tonkawa, Okla.

News of the marriage of Eldred Blasdel to Milton J. Gorham of Oakland, Calif. Mrs. Gorman was affiliated with Pi Kappa Sigma sorority in Northwestern, and received her degree in Home Economics.

Word has been received from American Institute for Foreign Trade, Phoenix Arizona, that Lawrence V. Ogletree, Northwestern student 1940-42, is in training for one year in intensive preparation for positions of American business firms operating abroad.

In a letter from Irving Smith, of class 1940, he states that he will return to the United States in May. Irving has spent three years in Cuba at the head of an English speaking church; and though his work has been interesting and a great happiness, he is anxious to get back to the U. S., and Oklahoma in time for an appointment here for the coming year. Since going to Cuba he has been instrumental in the building of a \$250,000 University Center. Irving may be heard every Sunday night 8:15 (EST), at 9235 kilocycles. The Alumni is proud of you and your work Irving, but will be glad to welcome you back to the U. S.

Mrs. Kent Yoder, the former Dorothy Fox, with her two daughters, Grace and Salye of Lawndale, Calif; visited friends and relatives in Alva recently.

Laverne Geeslin Hasse now lives in Mulvane, Kansas, her husband is Supt. of schools there. They are the parents of three little girls.

Marian Nighswonger Wenzel now lives at Mulvane, Kansas.

Jocile Grimwood (1940) has resigned her job as school Secretary at Liberal Kansas, which she has held for the past seven years. After July 1st, she will join her husband, Wm. E. Brown, who is attending X-ray school in Denver Schools.



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